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**Sent:** Friday, January 27, 2017 4:00 PM  
**To:** Pratt, Stacie  
**Subject:** Headstrong/Target Construction - Lead Enforcement Inspection  
**Attachments:** 3610\_001 (003).pdf

Dear Ms. Pratt,

Thank you for returning my call. I'm attaching the letter that Target Construction received from lead inspectors at the EPA.

As I mentioned, I represent the Headstrong Foundation. It acquired a property at 200 S. Chester Road in Swarthmore PA in December of last year. Headstrong plans to use the house to provide services to cancer patients during their stays in the area for specialized treatment at facilities such as the University of Pennsylvania and Children's Hospital. Target Construction is volunteering its services to the Headstrong Foundation as are all of the other contractors who working on the property. The painting contractor who is involved in the projected is certified for lead testing and remediation and has taken samples. I have been advised by Headstrong that to date there has been no demolition in the property involving paint. Permits have not been issued for the actual renovation work. Plans are being submitted to the Borough.

Headstrong has had visits from various regulatory agencies since it closed on the house in December, all of whom are acting on "tips" or complaints that have been lodged against Headstrong. The tips have been unfounded. We believe that the complaints are coming from neighbors who opposed the Fair Housing Act accommodation recently granted by the Swarthmore Borough Council. It is unfortunate that the complaints are now extending to highly reputable licensed contractors who are contributing their services without compensation. If, at this stage of the inquiry, we can resolve the concerns of the EPA by providing certifications for the general contractor and the other contractors who will be working on the relatively modest renovations and the results of the lead paint testing being performed by the painting contractor we would be happy to do so.

Also, I would appreciate it if you would let me know if tips received that precipitate this sort of inspection and any follow up documentation with a tipster are subject to FOIA requests. If so, can you please advise as to the type of documents that should be the subject of a request (i.e., would we be requesting a complaint log or an affidavit or declaration of some kind pertaining to a particular address or contractor)?

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